

Smith, Guard. of Margaret H. Wilson, by virtue of an order obtained from the Orphans Court, of Dorchester County, Maryland have bargained and sold, and Conveyed, unto Thomas H. Keene, for his use, a negro woman Sarah, aged about twenty two years, and to serve from the first day of January 1854 until the first day of January 1874, for the sum of three hundred dollars. Sarah ~~is~~ ^{was} in hand, the issue of the said negro woman Sarah, to be the legal property of the said Thomas H. Keene, his heirs, or assigns, forever. The said negro woman Sarah, on the first day of January 1874 if living to revert back, to her original owner, Margaret H. Wilson or her heirs or assigns as witness our hands and seals this 22^d day of October 1853

Acknowledged and sworn before

Charles Corkran, Esq.

Washington A. Smith Esq.
Thomas H. Keene Esq.

Maryland Dorchester County Court. On the 22^d day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty three personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for said County, Washington A. Smith and acknowledged the within Bill of sale to be his act and deed, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, and at the same time personally affirmed Thomas H. Keene party grantee wherein named, and made oath on the Holy Evangel of almighty God, that the Consideration set forth in said Bill of sale is true and bona fide as therein set forth. Acknowledged and sworn to before

Recd Oct 22 1853 of Washington A. Smith the sum of one dollar in lieu of stamp on this
Bill of sale Charles Corkran
O. J. Henry Esq.

Washington A. Smith Esq. Be it remembered and it is hereby Certified that the following from ~~the~~ ^{the} Bill of sale was received and recorded on the 22^d day of October 1853 Court. Thomas H. Keene Esq. I know all men by these presents that Thomas H. Keene have this day, bargained, sold and Conveyed, unto Washington A. Smith, one negro woman Sarah, aged about 22 years to serve the said Washington A. Smith, his heirs or assigns until the 1st day of January 1874, for the sum of three hundred Dollars in hand paid, the issue of the said Sarah if there be any, to be the legal property of the said W. A. Smith, his heirs, or assigns forever. The said negro Sarah, on the first day of January 1874 if living to revert back to Margaret H. Wilson her original owner, and her heirs or assigns forever, as witness our hands and seals, this 22^d day of October 1853.

Thomas H. Keene Esq.
Washington A. Smith Esq.

State of Maryland Dorchester County to wit. Be it remembered that on the 22^d day of October anno Domini 1853 before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace, for the County and state aforesaid personally appeared Thomas H. Keene and acknowledged the within Bill of sale to be his act and deed according to the true intent and meaning thereof and at the same time personally affirmed Washington A. Smith party grantee wherein named and made oath on the Holy Evangel of almighty God, that the Consideration set forth in said Bill of sale is true and bona fide as therein set forth. Acknowledged and sworn before

Charles Corkran

Received Oct 22 1853 of Thomas H. Keene the sum of one dollar in lieu of a stamp on this Bill of sale - O. J. Henry Esq.